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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

the Application of:

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WATER-COOLED VERTICAL ENGINE AND OUTBOARD MOTOR EQUIPPED

THEREWITH

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.121

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

September 1, 2004

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 2, 2004, please amend the aboveidentified application as set forth below.